FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	E	FY 2004 EXPENDITURE	Α	FY 2005 APPROPRIATION				FY 2006 REQUEST		GOVERNOR RECOMMENDS FY 2006
Higher Education Coordination	\$	725,506	\$	805,825	\$	805,825	\$	454,799		
Information Technology Consolidation		0		0		0		1,151,953		
Proprietary School Regulation		154,668		258,742		258,262		226,246		
Midwest Higher Education Commission		82,500		82,500		82,500		82,500		
State Anatomical Board		2,815		3,069		3,069		3,069		
Federal Education Programs		1,219,621		3,776,425		3,776,425		3,777,005		
Financial Aid		97,791,465		140,466,120		140,404,657		139,273,294		
Community Colleges		126,120,903		133,338,066		133,138,066		133,138,066		
Technical Colleges		4,300,870		4,540,164		4,540,164		4,540,164		
Four-Year Colleges and Universities		676,333,203		717,850,933		717,554,133		717,554,133		
University of Missouri - Related Programs		46,787,824	_	47,997,688		49,522,688	_	45,934,463		
DEPARTMENTAL TOTAL	\$	953,519,375	\$	1,049,119,532	\$	1,050,085,789	\$	1,046,135,692		
General Revenue Fund		815,064,751		862,342,574		861,157,269		857,179,450		
Federal Funds		2,570,995		6,247,637		6,247,637		6,250,409		
Missouri Student Grant Program Gift Fund		0		50,000		50,000		50,000		
Lottery Proceeds Fund		73,338,041		75,865,310		75,865,310		75,865,310		
Spinal Cord Injury Fund		115,938		375,000		400,000		400,000		
State Seminary Moneys Fund		190,379		250,000		250,000		250,000		
Healthy Families Trust Fund -										
Health Care Account		0		0		628,200		628,200		
GEAR UP Scholarship Fund		40,896		200,000		200,000		200,000		
Proprietary School Bond Fund		0		100,000		100,000		100,000		
U.S. Department of Education										
Interest Account Fund		711,702		2,002,820		0		0		
State Seminary Fund		1,500,000		1,500,000		3,000,000		3,000,000		
Guaranty Agency Operating Fund		13,287,209		15,186,191		17,187,373		17,212,323		
Federal Student Loan Reserve Fund		46,699,464		85,000,000		85,000,000		85,000,000		
Full-time equivalent employees		73.94		89.73		89.73		83.65		

POLICY SUMMARY

Governor Blunt's Fiscal Year 2006 budget provides a total of \$1 billion for the Department of Higher Education. The department provides services for Missourians pursuing a postsecondary education. The core functions provided by the Department of Higher Education include:

- Supporting Missouri's two- and four-year institutions of higher education. Missouri's higher education institutions play a critical role in supplying the skilled workers that are necessary to stimulate economic growth in the state.
- Providing financial assistance to allow needy students access to higher education and to encourage Missouri's top academic achievers to attend Missouri higher education institutions.
- Planning for postsecondary education, evaluating institutional missions and performance, regulating proprietary institutions, and approving new degree programs offered by public colleges and universities.

Advancing Health-Related Research and Treatment

Missouri Telehealth Resource Center

Governor Blunt recommends \$628,200 for a one-time grant to the Missouri Telehealth Resource Center at the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Medicine. Telemedicine allows increased access to health care in underserved areas and expands access to specialty care by enabling patients and providers to interact with health care professionals located miles apart. Telemedicine also brings continuing education and training to medical professionals in isolated areas of the state.

POLICY SUMMARY (Continued)

Spinal Cord Injury Research

Governor Blunt recommends \$25,000 for the Spinal Cord Injury Research Program. The Spinal Cord Injury Advisory Board, appointed by the Board of Curators of the University of Missouri, awards funds to investigators for research projects that promote an advancement of knowledge in the area of spinal cord injuries and congenital or acquired disease processes.

Maintaining a Commitment to Higher Education and Addressing the Costs of Rising Tuition

Governor Blunt is proud to be able to provide higher education with consistent and reliable funding, even in the face of incredible budget pressures. By making the tough choices associated with this budget, where for the first time in several years expenditures actually match up with the revenue coming into the state, Governor Blunt hopes to be able to avoid the problems recently experienced where uncertainty has surrounded how much general revenue will be available to higher education. Budget reductions and withholdings in recent years have led to dramatic increases in tuition and fees for Missouri students and their families.

Tuition and fees at Missouri's four-year institutions have increased by an average of 23.8 percent in the last two years, while tuition and fees at Missouri's community colleges have risen by an average of 16.2 percent over the same period. Over the past five years, the increases are even more dramatic, with tuition costs at four-year institutions and community colleges rising by 60.1 percent and 45.0 percent respectively. These tuition increases have placed an enormous financial burden on Missouri students and their families and have forced an increasing number of students to take on unacceptably high levels of debt in order to pursue a college education. Other families, particularly those families with lower and middle incomes, are no longer able to afford the cost of college. To help Missouri families cope with these rising tuition costs, Governor Blunt has challenged Missouri's colleges and universities to increase the efficiency of their operations. By operating more efficiently, Missouri's higher education institutions should be able to limit tuition increases to a reasonable level.

Supporting Higher Education's Role in Economic Development

Increasing commercialization of technology developed at Missouri's public colleges and universities can create a valuable income stream from which institutions and the state as a whole can benefit. Information regarding research project discoveries and patented technologies at Missouri's public colleges and universities should, whenever possible, be made public. Missouri institutions need to advertise potential commercial applications and aggressively market them to the appropriate industries. Every good idea needs a champion. Missouri should create economic incentives to reward individuals that develop the technology and license it to outside institutions.

POLICY SUMMARY (Continued)

Table 1: Performance measures the Department of Higher Education uses to evaluate the outcomes of higher education

	2001	2002	2003
Number of graduates of Missouri public institutions entering Missouri's workforce			
Associate degree graduates	6,908	6,695	7,541
Average salary	\$20,655	\$20,243	\$19,657
Percent employed in Missouri	74%	74%	73%
Bachelor degree graduates	15,349	16,184	16,414
Average salary	\$25,977	\$24,746	\$24,093
Percent employed in Missouri	63%	63%	63%
Masters degree graduates	4,267	4,304	4,729
Average salary	\$39,290	\$38,803	\$37,198
Percent employed in Missouri	61%	60%	58%
Doctoral degree graduates	423	397	426
Average salary	\$44,935	\$50,655	\$50,752
Percent employed in Missouri	38%	34%	38%

Table 2: Performance measures the Department of Higher Education uses to evaluate the impact of higher education

	2002	2003	2004
Number of graduates of the higher education system	56,628	60,134	61,692

Table 3: Performance measures the Department of Higher Education uses to evaluate the level of student financial assistance

	2002	2003	2004
Number of students applying for student financial assistance Number of students receiving state student financial assistance	164,000 27,459	165,000 25,727	170,000 25,540
Dollar amount awarded in state student financial assistance	\$44,818,781	\$41,713,900	\$41,178,319

Table 4: Performance measures the Department of Higher Education uses to evaluate the cost of higher education

	2003	2004	2005
Average cost of in-state tuition and fees at Missouri's four-year institutions	\$4,539	\$5,219	\$5,619
Average cost of in-district tuition and fees at Missouri's two-year institutions	\$1,768	\$1,934	\$2,054

POLICY SUMMARY (Continued)

Table 5: Performance measures the Department of Higher Education uses to evaluate the performance of public community colleges

	2001	2002	2003
Student Advancement			
First year success (24 credit hours and 2.0 GPA by end of spring	39%	40%	40%
semester) of first-time, full-time degree seeking freshmen	39 /0	40 /6	40 /6
Number of graduates with certificates of one year or more or associate	7,228	7,396	8,214
degrees			
Percentage of baccalaureate graduates that successfully transferred	18.6%	21.0%	21.3%
from a community college with 12 or more credit hours			

Table 6: Performance measures the Department of Higher Education uses to evaluate the performance of four-year public colleges and universities

	2001	2002	2003
Student Advancement			
First year success (24 credit hours and 2.0 GPA by spring of first year)	72%	71%	73%
of first-time, full-time degree seeking freshmen			
Six-year graduation rates for first-time, full-time degree seeking	55.6%	56.4%	57.6%
freshmen			
Quality of Baccalaureate Program Graduates			
Percentage who scored at or above the 50 th percentile on a nationally	62.4%	61.2%	61.0%
normed test in general education			
Percentage who took a nationally normed test in their major and	58.8%	57.2%	55.5%
scored at or above the 50 th percentile			
Percentage who passed a licensure, certification, or a registration	83.0%	79.6%	93.8%
exam			
Quality of Prospective Teachers			
Percentage who met teacher program entry standards	75%	78%	69%
Percentage who met teacher program exit standards	60%	56%	61%

HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATION

This program includes the Commissioner of Higher Education, the general administrative staff, and the expenses of the Coordinating Board. Under direction of the Coordinating Board, the administrative staff reviews and coordinates the programs of approximately 58 public and private institutions of higher education. Staff also prepares the Coordinating Board's budget recommendations for public colleges and universities. Other program responsibilities include collecting and distributing student enrollment data and reviewing and approving proposed new degree programs at public institutions.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$3.668 for pay plan.
- (\$300,755) and (5.06) staff in core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.
- (\$53,939) and (1.7) staff reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Governor Blunt has ordered that management of state information technology resources be consolidated under the Office of Administration. This should result in enhanced service at a lower cost. For Fiscal Year 2006, information technology resources will be reallocated to a new section within the department's budget that will be under the control of the Office of Administration.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$7,671 for pay plan, including \$1,739 general revenue.
- \$1,145,282 and 14.81 staff reallocated for information technology resources that will be under the control of the Office of Administration, including \$182,176 general revenue.

PROPRIETARY SCHOOL REGULATION

Sections 173.600 through 173.618, RSMo, provide for the regulation of proprietary schools operating in the State of Missouri. There are approximately 145 proprietary schools in operation. The Coordinating Board is charged with the authority to issue, revoke, or suspend certificates of approval ensuring that proprietary schools meet minimum state standards, place schools on probation, require each school to file a security bond, and collect data from certified proprietary schools.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$1,005 for pay plan.
- (\$31,310) and (.52) staff in core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.
- (\$1,711) reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration.
- (\$480) transferred to the statewide leasing budget.

MIDWEST HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION

The Midwest Higher Education Commission is a consortium of states that work together on student exchange agreements, higher education research and policy development, and cost saving programs in which Missouri institutions may participate. Membership in the organization requires payment of annual dues. Missouri became a member state of the Midwest Higher Education Commission pursuant to the provisions of Sections 173.708 through 173.710, RSMo.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

STATE ANATOMICAL BOARD

Sections 194.120 through 194.180, RSMo, authorize the State Anatomical Board to collect and distribute human cadavers to qualified medical schools. Expenditures consist of fixed stipends for officers of the board and per capita stipends for doctors with the responsibility for receipt and distribution of cadavers. Participating schools pay a per-student assessment of 50 cents which is deposited in general revenue.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

FEDERAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND DONATIONS

The Improving Teacher Quality States Grant Program provides federal funds for the improvement of instruction in the core subject areas in grades K-12. The Department of Higher Education administers its portion of these funds through a competitive grant process. The funds are used to design and develop professional development projects addressing the needs of K-12 teachers in the targeted core academic subjects of mathematics and science.

In addition, department staff will continue to pursue federal grants, foundation resources, and private donations to support new programs.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

• \$580 federal funds for pay plan.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION STUDENT FINANCIAL AID

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	E	FY 2004 EXPENDITURE		FY 2005 APPROPRIATION		GOVERNOR ECOMMENDS FY 2006
GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS						
Administration	\$	269,945	\$	281,356	\$	124,459
Academic Scholarship Program		15,787,000		15,787,000		15,787,000
Charles E. Gallagher Grant Program		16,170,957		16,628,436		16,628,436
Public Service Survivor Grant Program		33,832		60,710		60,710
Vietnam Veterans Survivors						
Scholarship Program		21,607		83,570		50,000
Marguerite Ross Barnett Scholarship Program		425,000		425,000		425,000
Missouri College Guarantee Program		3,175,000		3,175,000		3,175,000
Advantage Missouri Program		410,000		164,825		105,000
GEAR UP PROGRAM		799,749		1,671,212		1,658,404
MISSOURI STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM		60,698,375		102,189,011		101,259,285
TOTAL	\$	97,791,465	\$	140,466,120	\$	139,273,294
General Revenue Fund		32,939,413		32,805,897		32,555,605
Federal Funds		1,351,374		2,471,212		2,458,404
Other Funds		63,500,678		105,189,011		104,259,285
Full-time equivalent employees		57.23		71.78		58.17

ADMINISTRATION OF STATE GRANT AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

Administration of state grant and scholarship programs includes determining an applicant's eligibility for a grant, determining the amount of individual grants, issuing payments, and monitoring school financial aid offices for compliance with program requirements. Approximately 25,450 grants and scholarships totaling nearly \$41.1 million annually are distributed by the department.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$595 for pay plan.
- (\$126,526) and (2.45) staff reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration.
- (\$30,966) and (.5) staff in core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Academic Scholarship Program ("Bright Flight") provides \$2,000 scholarships for Missouri high school graduating seniors scoring in the top three percent of all Missouri students taking either the American College Test (ACT) or the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) of the College Board. The students must use the scholarship to attend a Missouri college or university. The scholarships are renewable up to a total of ten semesters. An estimated 8,200 students will be awarded scholarships in Fiscal Year 2006.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

CHARLES E. GALLAGHER GRANT PROGRAM

The Charles E. Gallagher Student Financial Assistance (Missouri Student Grant) Program provides grants to eligible Missouri postsecondary students of up to a maximum of ten semesters based on the lesser of: (a) demonstrated financial need, (b) one-half the tuition and fees of the previous year, or (c) \$1,500.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

STUDENT FINANCIAL AID (Continued)

PUBLIC SERVICE SURVIVOR GRANT PROGRAM

The Public Service Survivor Grant Program provides educational benefits to the children and spouses of certain public employees killed or permanently and totally disabled in the line of duty. An eligible child, up to the age of 24, or an eligible spouse may receive a grant to enroll in a program leading to a certificate, associate degree, or baccalaureate degree at an approved public or private postsecondary institution. The grant may not exceed the amount paid in tuition by a full-time undergraduate Missouri resident at the University of Missouri.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

VIETNAM VETERANS SURVIVORS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Vietnam Veterans Survivors Scholarship Program provides educational benefits to the spouse or child of a veteran of the Vietnam War whose death was caused by exposure to toxic chemicals. The maximum award may not exceed the amount of tuition paid by a full-time undergraduate Missouri resident at the University of Missouri.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

• (\$33,570) core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.

MARGUERITE ROSS BARNETT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Marguerite Ross Barnett Scholarship Program provides grants to part-time undergraduate students who are employed and compensated for at least 20 hours per week and who have financial need. The maximum award may not exceed the amount of tuition paid by a part-time undergraduate Missouri resident at the University of Missouri.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

MISSOURI COLLEGE GUARANTEE PROGRAM

The Missouri College Guarantee Program provides scholarships based on financial need to students that meet specified academic standards. The program is designed to serve Missouri students most in need regardless of institutional choice.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

ADVANTAGE MISSOURI PROGRAM

The Advantage Missouri Program is a loan and loan forgiveness program designed to address workforce needs in high demand occupations. Students enrolling in an academic program in an occupational field of high demand may apply for a loan that will forgive one year of the loan for each year the student works in Missouri in that specified field. The current targeted occupational areas are biomedical/biotechnology, advanced manufacturing technology, and computer technology.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

• (\$59,825) core reduction to reflect the General Assembly's intent to phase-out this program.

STUDENT FINANCIAL AID (Continued)

GEAR UP PROGRAM

The Department of Higher Education has been awarded a federal GEAR UP grant that will help improve the educational attainment of Missouri citizens by providing early college preparation and awareness activities to participating students through comprehensive mentoring, counseling, outreach, and other support services. These activities promote equal access to educational excellence through partnership efforts on behalf of low-income, underrepresented students, and ensure that targeted students have access to rigorous courses that prepare them for college. Fourteen Missouri high schools in five public school districts with more than 3,000 tenth grade students are participating in the GEAR UP Program. Participants of the program may be eligible for scholarships based on high school performance and financial need.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$2,192 federal funds for pay plan.
- (\$15,000) federal funds reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration.

MISSOURI STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM AND ADMINISTRATION

The Missouri Student Loan Program provides repayable loans to parents and students through commercial lending institutions. Since its inception in 1979, the program has guaranteed approximately two million loans totaling over \$6.4 billion. In Fiscal Year 2006, approximately 100 lending institutions will participate in loaning funds to students attending more than 125 eligible institutions. Approximately 180,000 loans totaling over \$881 million annually are guaranteed by the department benefiting nearly 100,000 Missouri students and their families. The Missouri Student Loan Program uses private contractors to aid in processing and servicing its loans. The loan program staff performs activities including outreach services to students, schools, and lenders; the administration of the Administrative Wage Garnishment and Automated Transfer of Money programs; general loan program administration; and functions necessary to oversee contractor services and ensure compliance with state and federal law.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$19,018 Guaranty Agency Operating Fund for pay plan.
- (\$947,106) Guaranty Agency Operating Fund and (10.66) staff reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration.
- (\$1,638) Guaranty Agency Operating Fund transferred to the statewide leasing budget.

AID TO PUBLIC COMMUNITY COLLEGES

The budget recommendations for Missouri public community colleges are based on the recommendations developed by the Coordinating Board. The 12 institutions (18 campuses) eligible to receive state aid are: Crowder College in Neosho, East Central College in Union, Jefferson College in Hillsboro, Metropolitan Community Colleges – five campuses in the Kansas City area, Mineral Area College in Park Hills, Moberly Area Community College in Moberly, North Central Missouri College in Trenton, Ozarks Technical Community College in Springfield, St. Charles Community College in St. Peters, St. Louis Community College – three campuses in St. Louis City and County, State Fair Community College in Sedalia, and Three Rivers Community College in Poplar Bluff.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

• (\$200,000) for one-time expenditures.

LINN STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Senate Bill 101 (1995) established Linn State Technical College with a statewide mission to offer highly specialized and advanced technical education and training at the certificate and associate degree level.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

PUBLIC FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

The budget recommendations for Missouri's ten public, four-year institutions of higher education are based on the recommendations developed by the Coordinating Board. Missouri's public, four-year institutions of higher education include: Central Missouri State University at Warrensburg, Harris-Stowe State College at St. Louis, Lincoln University at Jefferson City, Missouri Southern State University - Joplin, Missouri Western State College at St. Joseph, Northwest Missouri State University at Maryville, Southeast Missouri State University at Cape Girardeau, Southwest Missouri State University at Springfield, Truman State University at Kirksville, and the University of Missouri system.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

						GOVERNOR
		FY 2004		FY 2005		ECOMMENDS
	E	EXPENDITURE APPRO		PROPRIATION		FY 2006
Central Missouri State University	\$	50,990,454	\$	53,827,478	\$	53,827,478
Harris-Stowe State College	Ψ	9,293,601	Ψ	9,810,682	Ψ	9,810,682
Lincoln University		15,869,632		16,752,592		16,752,592
Missouri Southern State University - Joplin		19,762,578		21,112,134		20,862,134
Missouri Western State College		19,482,162		20,766,117		20,566,117
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Northwest Missouri State University		28,292,300		29,866,436		29,866,436
Southeast Missouri State University		41,521,803		43,832,008		43,832,008
Southwest Missouri State University		75,424,476		80,295,971		79,820,971
Truman State University		38,619,433		40,768,154		40,768,154
Subtotal		299,256,439		317,031,572		316,106,572
University of Missouri		377,076,764		400,819,361		401,447,561
TOTAL	\$	676,333,203	\$	717,850,933	\$	717,554,133
General Revenue Fund	·	612,854,175		652,408,636	•	651,483,636
Lottery Proceeds Fund		63,479,028		65,442,297		65,442,297
Healthy Families Trust Fund -		. ,		. ,		
Health Care Account		0		0		628,200
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Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$628,200 Healthy Families Trust Fund for continued funding of the Missouri Telehealth Resource Center at the University of Missouri – Columbia School of Medicine.
- (\$925,000) for one-time expenditures.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI – RELATED PROGRAMS

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	E.	FY 2004 EXPENDITURE		FY 2005 APPROPRIATION		GOVERNOR ECOMMENDS FY 2006
MOBIUS MOREnet University Hospital and Clinics Ellis Fischel Cancer Center Missouri Rehabilitation Center Missouri Institute of Mental Health Missouri Kidney Program State Historical Society Alzheimer's Research Program Spinal Cord Injury State Seminary Investments State Seminary Income on Investments TOTAL	\$	630,053 14,554,269 8,644,321 4,097,072 9,813,190 2,230,854 3,896,271 894,923 220,554 115,938 1,500,000 190,379 46,787,824		649,539 14,504,401 13,135,457 0 10,116,691 2,299,850 4,016,774 922,601 227,375 375,000 1,500,000 250,000 47,997,688	\$	649,539 11,603,521 13,135,457 0 10,116,691 1,839,880 4,016,774 922,601 0 400,000 3,000,000 250,000 45,934,463
General Revenue Fund Spinal Cord Injury Fund State Seminary Fund	Ť	44,981,507 115,938 190,379	*	45,872,688 375,000 250,000	•	42,284,463 400,000 250,000
State Seminary Moneys Fund		1,500,000		1,500,000		3,000,000

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI - RELATED PROGRAMS

The University of Missouri has administrative responsibility for a range of programs that are related to its institutional mission, but are not a part of the education and general operations: Missouri Bibliographic Information User System (MOBIUS), Missouri Research and Education Network (MOREnet), University Hospital and Clinics, Missouri Rehabilitation Center, Missouri Institute of Mental Health, Missouri Kidney Program, the State Historical Society, Alzheimer's Research Program, Spinal Cord Injury Research Program, and investments and interest from State Seminary Fund and State Seminary Moneys Fund.

MISSOURI BIBLIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION USER SYSTEM (MOBIUS)

The Missouri Bibliographic Information User System, also known as MOBIUS, is a consortium of academic libraries with member colleges and universities in the State of Missouri. Fifty charter members began the project in January 1999. The largest single project for which MOBIUS is responsible is the Common Library Platform project. The Common Library Platform is a collaboration among state agencies and public and independent colleges and universities that allows academic libraries to share 19 million volumes, approximately \$1 billion worth of library books and materials, owned by Missouri's public and independent higher education institutions. The University of Missouri serves as the host site to administer and operate the shared system hardware and software.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

MISSOURI RESEARCH AND EDUCATION NETWORK (MOREnet)

MOREnet operates a shared network infrastructure for elementary and secondary education, higher education, public libraries, state government, and community information networks. This shared network infrastructure includes connections to the Internet and a statewide backbone with hubs to connect each site. MOREnet integrates voice, video, and data transmissions, as well as handles the ever-increasing demand for network capacity to conduct research.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

• (\$2,900,880) core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI - RELATED PROGRAMS (Continued)

HOSPITAL AND CLINICS

The University of Missouri-Columbia operates a teaching facility for medical, nursing, and other health care field students. In addition, the facility provides inpatient care, outpatient care, and specialized medical services to both area residents and persons referred from throughout the state. The hospital budget includes costs associated with providing patient care and maintenance of the facility. Instructional and research activity costs are included in the university's general operating budget. The university also operates the Ellis Fischel Cancer Center which provides comprehensive medical treatment, conducts clinical research, and offers education to both health professionals and Missourians at large.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

MISSOURI REHABILITATION CENTER

The Missouri Rehabilitation Center provides medical treatment for traumatic brain injury, comprehensive rehabilitation services, pulmonary/ventilator rehabilitation, tuberculosis treatment, terminal and acute care, and outpatient services.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

MISSOURI INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH

The Missouri Institute of Mental Health, operated by the School of Medicine of the University of Missouri at Columbia, is a mental health research and teaching institute that provides educational and staff support to the Department of Mental Health. The institute researches the basic causes of mental illness and methods for improved patient care and operates training programs for mental health professionals.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

(\$459,970) core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.

MISSOURI KIDNEY PROGRAM

The Missouri Kidney Program enables Missourians with end-stage renal disease to obtain treatment. The program contracts with federally approved dialysis centers and facilities and pays those costs of dialysis or kidney transplantation not paid by other sources such as Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurance. Patients' drugs, transportation expenses, and medical bills are paid by the program, along with the needed medical equipment and supply costs.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The State Historical Society of Missouri is directed by statute to collect, preserve, publish, and make accessible those materials that pertain to the history of Missouri and western America. The staff conducts research projects, publishes the quarterly Missouri Historical Review, and produces other publications.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI - RELATED PROGRAMS (Continued)

ALZHEIMER'S RESEARCH PROGRAM

The program funds research that will advance knowledge concerning Alzheimer's disease and related disorders. An advisory board makes research awards to researchers in public or private educational, health care, and research institutions and other voluntary health associations.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

• (\$227,375) core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.

SPINAL CORD INJURY RESEARCH

The program funds research that will advance knowledge concerning spinal cord injuries and congenital or acquired disease processes. Research awards are made by an advisory board to researchers in public or private educational, health care, and research institutions and other voluntary health associations. Funds for this research come from fees assessed to individuals who are convicted of intoxication-related offenses, as well as surcharges from all criminal cases including violations of any county ordinance or any violation of criminal or traffic laws of this state.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

\$25,000 Spinal Cord Injury Fund for additional research projects focused on spinal cord injuries.

STATE SEMINARY FUND INVESTMENTS AND INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS

The State Seminary Fund consists of the proceeds of the sale of land donated to the state, proceeds from a direct tax received from the United States, the James S. Rollins Scholarship Fund, and others. Income from the State Seminary Moneys Fund is given to the University of Missouri as required by Article IX, Section 6 of the Missouri Constitution, and by Section 172.610, RSMo.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

• \$1,500,000 State Seminary Fund to allow for reinvestment of maturing bonds.